EIGHTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE COUNCIL OF NATIONAL DEFENSE

COMMUNICATION

FROM THE

PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES

TRANSMITTING

TOGETHER WITH A LETTER FROM THE SECRETARY OF WAR, THE EIGHTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE COUNCIL OF NATIONAL DEFENSE FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 1924

December 3 (calendar day, December 4), 1924.—Read; referred to the Committee on Military Affairs and ordered to be printed

To the Congress of the United States:

In compliance with paragraph 5, section 2, of the Army appropriation act, approved August 29, 1916, I transmit herewith the Eighth Annual Report of the Council of National Defense for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1924.

CALVIN COOLIDGE.

THE WHITE HOUSE, December 4, 1924.

> WAR DEPARTMENT, Washington, June 26, 1924.

DEAR MR. PRESIDENT: I have the honor to transmit to you for submission to the Congress the following report of the Council of National Defense for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1924.

This report, which is the Eighth Annual Report of the council, is submitted in compliance with the following provision of the act of August 29, 1916, creating the Council of National Defense:

* * * from time to time the council shall report to the President or to the heads of executive departments upon special inquiries or subjects appropriate thereto, and an annual report to the Congress shall be submitted through the President, including as full a statement of the activities of the council and the agencies subordinate to it as is consistent with the public interest, including an itemized account of the expenditures made by the council or authorized by it, in as full detail as the public interest will permit.

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There has been no meeting of the council during the period covered by the report, nor has there been any appropriation by Congress

covering their expenses during the fiscal year 1924.

The records of the council were taken over by the War Department on June 30, 1921, in compliance with Executive order dated April 21, 1921 (No. 3439), and assigned to the office of the Assistant Secretary of War, per memorandum, War Department, dated May 16, 1921.

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Very respectfully,

JOHN W. WEEKS, Secretary of War.

To THE PRESIDENT,
The White House.